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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

Applicant(s): Ream et al.  
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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT  
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Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the last decision of the examiner dated June 17, 2005 rejecting Claims 9-26.

The fee for this Notice of Appeal is \$500.00. A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-1818. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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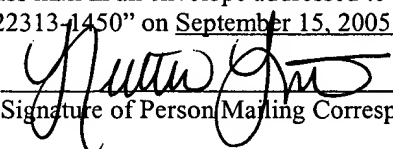
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